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SUBJECT: DEATH OF FORMER PRESIDENT AND SOCIAL CHRISTIAN POLITICAL
LEADER CAMILO PONCE ENRIQUEZ

1. FORMER ECUADOREAN PRESIDENT DR. CAMILO PONCE ENRIQUEZ
DIED AT AGE 64 OF A HEART ATTACK EARLY ON THE MORNING
OF SEPTEMBER 14.

2. PONCE WAS AN ELECTED PRESIDENT AND COMPLETED HIS
FULL TERM IN OFFICE (1960-64)--ONE OF THE FEW ECUADOREAN
PRESIDENTS EVER TO DO SO. HE WAS THE MOVING FORCE BEHIND
THE SOCIAL CHRISTIAN POLITICAL PARTY AND WAS WIDELY KNOWN
TO COVET A RETURN TO THE PRESIDENCY.

3. GIVEN THE PERSONALISTIC NATURE OF ECUADOREAN POLITICAL
PARTIES, IT IS HIGHLY LIKELY THAT THE SOCIAL CHRISTIANS--
ONCE ONE OF THE MORE IMPORTANT PARTIES--WILL SIGNIFICANTLY
FADE IN POLITICAL IMPORTANCE NOW THAT PONCE IS DEAD.
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